

St John Bosco School

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TERM DATES

Term 1
Tue 31 Jan - Thu 6 Apr

Term 2
Mon 24 Apr - Fri 30 Jun

Term 3
Mon 17 Jul - Fri 22 Sep

Term 4
Mon 9 Oct - Fri 15 Dec

EVENTS

School closes at 1pm - staff at paid union meeting
Wed 1 Mar

Black & White Mufti Day
Wed 1 Mar

Swimming Sports
Fri 3 March

School Mass
Sun 5 March

Golf Day
Sun 26 March



From the Principals Desk...

Week 4 has been our first full week of learning and it has been great. 5 days of learning gives us time and space to cover all we need to during the week and removes some pressures of teachers and myself.

On Friday last week we held our annual palm burning ceremony at school. We burnt palms from our 2022 Palm Sunday celebration. These were then blessed and used in our Ash Wednesday Mass this week. It was a lovely way to finish our week last week and also so great to be able to attend a community and school mass under normal circumstances.

This week we have been praying for our friends at St Joseph's Hastings who have been affected by the cyclone. We have in some way adopted St Joseph's as our friends as I have a connection with their Principal. At this early stage we are praying for them and will hold a Black N White Mufti (No Uniform day) to raise funds for them or schools near by them. As we get more details we will also offer other forms of support.

Our Black N White Mufti day will be held on Wednesday 1st March. All funds raised will be passed on to the Hawkes Bay Principals Association who will direct money to schools in need. We will be joining many other schools in Taranaki, Manawatu and Wanganui. We are praying for a big effort so funds passed on will make a difference.

Staff will on Wednesday attend paid union meetings. School will be closed from 1:00pm to allow teachers to attend the 1:30pm meeting. I will remain onsite and be able to provide care and supervision for children and whanau who are unable to make alternative arrangements. The Board and I feel that it is important for teachers to attend this meeting to hear first hand offers being provided in terms of

remuneration, wellbeing and support for children.

Swimming Sports: We have been able to book the Aquatic Centre for our annual swimming sports for next Friday 3rd March. We will follow our revised 2022 programme as outlined on the below. Our focus is having all children take part, have fun and enter all of the events on offer.

We will require 4-5 parents to help us out on the day. In particular being in the water as lifeguards in case children run out of puff. If you can help please let Mr Page or Mrs Welsh know.

Swimming Sports Details: Each group of children will travel by bus to and from the Aquatic Centre at different times throughout the day. Each group will have approximately an hour or more at the complex.

The year 5 and 6 children will be leaving school at 9:00am.

The year 3 and 4 children will be leaving school at 10:30am.

The year 1 and 2 children will leave school just at 11:30am.

Our senior children will take part in a variety of traditional races such as freestyle and backstroke in the big pool. They will also put into practice the water safety procedures that have been taught this term.

Events Senior children will take part in:

Freestyle 1 length
Backstroke 1 length
Flutter Board front 1 length
Flutter Board back 1 length
Sculling Head first 1 length
Sculling Feet first 1 length

Water Safety Programme Year 3-6:

Lifejackets on

- Side roll into water/ signal for help
- Huddle (groups of 5)
- Huddle to line swim to side on backs
- Treading water
- Yr 5, 2 mins

- Yr 6, 3 mins
- Y 3/4 basic sculling and treading water

This will conclude with house relays.

Our juniors will participate in a variety of events that include running races, noodle races, flutter board races, jumping races and freestyle races.

Juniors Pool time 12pm - 1pm

Children will need to bring warm clothing (named) for the day as well as their school sunhat and sunblock. They may also choose to wear a swim vest as well to keep the sun off. We will send home a permission slip via Hero early next week.

Expressions of Interest-i-Pads+Cover: For those interested in purchasing an i-Pad for their child. The Community Group will bulk-buy and purchase i-Pads with cover and you can enter into a payment plan. All i-pads purchased will stay at school with your child until the i-Pad is paid off in full. Cost will be \$600. Please email emily.bellringer@gmail.com to register your interest for an i-pad by Friday 3rd March.

Disabled Parking: Just a friendly reminder that we have two disabled car parks onsite at St John Bosco. One in the school carpark and the other in the parish car park. We need you to understand that we have family who require these parks. I realise parking can be tricky around school, however, we need to respect that these parks are for people with disabilities.

SJB Ambrose Golf Day - How can you help? At this stage the community group is asking our families to help in the following ways...

- Find hole sponsors.
- Enter Teams to play on the day.
- Donate spot prizes to be used on the day
- Promote the event.

Graduate Profile: Independent Agents: This term another of our school wide focuses is on being an independent agent. You may hear children talking about being an independent agent or being independent. This term independent agent comes from our graduate profile. Our graduate profile guides all staff at St John Bosco in embedding skills and knowledge our whanau have expressed as Life skills they would like to see children leave our school with. This week I have included our framework in relation to the skills we unpack and have our children work through each day. Independent Agents can be translated to Mana Tangata. With our Special Character lens on we express being an Independent Agent as "I know what I need to learn to be more like Jesus".

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
I am self motivated.	I can work to achieve my goals.	I put in 100% into my learning and I know where to go for help.	I can approach a task with a positive attitude, using positive self talk	I am an ambitious, courageous learner with a growth mindset.	Through agency I know what I am learning and why and I can proactively seek out the best learning pathway using initiative to carry on.
I work to the best of my ability and know when to ask for help.	I finish my work on time.	I can manage myself and my belongings	I am self motivated to complete my tasks and can monitor my progress	I display perseverance, determination and resilience when the demands of work and independence grow.	I can organise everything I need to learn and know where to start
I can manage my belongings.	I can talk positively about my learning	I know what my goals are and what my next learning steps are	I get work done in a given timeframe, using my time wisely.	I am resilient when working independently and can persevere to meet deadlines.	I have a growth mindset and can use positive self-talk powerfully to motivate me and build resilience.

YOU ARE INVITED TO...

Saint John Bosco School
and Parish Mass at
Our Lady Help of Christians, Fitzroy
Sunday 5th March 2023 at 10:30am



Hospitality after mass is resuming on the 5th March. School families please bring a plate of finger food to share for morning tea afterwards.

**Don't forget to bring your donation
for the food bank.**
Thank you

NEW PLYMOUTH: THURSDAY 30TH MAR 2023

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By linking to our school group it will give us the chance to win some great prizes.

Please see this link for more information - <https://tryathlon.co.nz/locations/new-plymouth/>
Early bird price of \$49.50 closes 9th March 2023. Email Trisha Welsh - trisha@sjb.school.nz for any queries.

Our School Core Values

Love

Resilience

Co-operation

Service



SJB Ambrose Golf Day: We are really pleased to be again this year with the support of Taranaki Steelformers holding our Ambrose Golf Day. Below is a flyer attached and I will send out one on HERO as well with all the details and how you support this. This will be run by our Community Group and they will soon be seeking help and support on the day.

The Community Group would like to request volunteers to help on the day. You can email or text Sonya_nz@hotmail.com or 021812585 to sign-up to help.

Appreciate any support of time that you are able to give. This is our big community fund-raiser and a great day out for both teams and helpers.

We are also requesting spot prizes. If you would like to donate vouchers or prizes. Please drop off to Andrea in the office by Friday 17th March.



St John Bosco School

Presents our 2023

Ambrose Golf Day

With the support of **Taranaki Steelformers** we are proud to present our major fundraiser for 2023: an AMBROSE Golf Tournament

WHEN Sunday 26th March

WHERE Westown Golf Club

TIME 11.00am Start



Here is how you can choose to help us:

<input type="radio"/>	Sponsor a Hole	Get your company's logo/ad displayed on a large digital billboard at Registration, at the Food Tent during the day for maximum foot traffic coverage, on a large screen in the clubrooms during prizegiving, and on the teams' scorecards. In addition sponsors will be promoted in the School's newsletter and on our Facebook page.	\$300 Per Hole
<input type="radio"/>	Sign up a Team	Teams of 4 - 6 Players Serious/Social/Non Golfers all welcome!	\$30 per Player
<input type="radio"/>	Make a donation	Donate a spot prize, a voucher (e.g. from a local café, Rebel Sport or similar) we shall use as a spot prize, or make a cash donation. All donations are greatly appreciated.	Your Choice
<input type="radio"/>	Help on the day	Support us with the setup, signing in players, the BBQ, selling food and drinks, serving afternoon tea, the prize giving or packing up. An hour or two is all that is needed.	Your time

Name _____

Business Name (if applicable) _____

Contact Number _____



Return this form to the school office 'Community Group' Box

For more information contact:

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R E S I L I E N C E

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

Philippians 4:13



THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION for February 2023

For parishes: *We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.*

LENT 2023

Lent has begun...

40 Days of Lent - Significance of 40 In Bible! Number 40 is mentioned around 146 times in the Holy Bible, it usually is a time of testing, trials, and repentance.

- 40 days during Lent.
- 40 days and 40 nights of Great Flood
- Moses is Prince of Egypt for 40 years
- Israelites wander in the forest for 40 years
- Jonah warns people of Nineveh to Repent or be destroyed in 40 Days
- Jesus fasts for 40 days



This year the Caritas theme for Lent 2023 is "I am the Light of the World."

Follow this link for resources: <https://www.caritas.org.nz/lent> for ideas of things you could do at home. Scroll down the page to find the resources.

Our journey through Lent centers on the life of Jesus and his call for us to draw closer to God and look to be love and light to others.

Every Gospel story, which is included each week within these resources, has Jesus as the main driving force overcoming challenges, providing life, and restoring hope.

During Lent this year it is our hope that we all are challenged to reconnect with THE Light of the World as we are inspired to bring light in the world at the same time.

Later this term we will be participating in the Caritas Lenten Challenge. The Caritas challenge is an annual event which gives children the opportunity to demonstrate solidarity with those living in poverty or injustice. This year the focus is Fiji. . More information about this will come out soon.

IDEAS FOR FASTING from Pope Francis

- Fast from hurtful words and speak kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your heart with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can hear God

Message from the Parish...

This year First Reconciliation will be in Term 2, First Holy Communion in Term 3 and Baptism in Term 4. If you are considering any of these Sacramental programmes for your child please register your interest with Karen Maclean, youngfamilyminister@catholicparishnp.nz

SHINE YOUTH GROUP— Start Date 19 February 2023:

Our junior youth group, Shine, is for those in Years 4 to 8. Shine runs from 4.00pm – 5.00pm in the St Joseph's Church Hall. This junior youth group gives this age of young people in our parish a chance to form connections. If you would like to know anything else about Shine please contact Karen Maclean, youngfamilyminister@catholicparishnp.nz

Please click here for the [latest Parish Newsletter](#)

Sacramental Preparation



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Messages from the Palmerston North Diocese

- You may have seen that [Pope Francis included those affected by the cyclone during his Angelus message at the Vatican on Sunday.](#)
- [This article outlines some of the response across the Diocese of Palmerston North over the last few days which was also published on CathNews..](#)
- Please continue to pray for those affected by Cyclone Gabrielle. Here is a [prayer resource](#) and a [simple Liturgy for](#) use at home.

Cyclone Relief Appeal

The Diocese of Palmerston North has launched a Cyclone Relief Appeal to help those in desperate need following Cyclone Gabrielle. Donations can be made directly online to the Catholic Charities Foundation by direct bank transfer to 02-0630-0237950-010 with references: "Cyclone" and "your surname and initials" (Please email reception@pndiocese.org.nz with your email details for a receipt.) Donate today to help families and communities who have been affected at <https://pndiocese.org.nz/cyclone>

genLend

genLEND is a community initiative developed at Saint Andrews Church in Hastings as a tangible way for people across the country to help power the recovery of Hawke's Bay communities ravaged by Cyclone Gabrielle. genLend is seeking people from around New Zealand with a spare generator, petrol-powered pump, small digger, or bobcat to lend it for a couple of weeks to get the East Coast through the start of the flood recovery. genLend will arrange the collection, distribution, operation maintenance and return of the gear for a two week period. Find out more and offer help here: <https://www.genlend.co.nz>

Prayer for those affected by Cyclone Gabrielle

God our refuge and hope. We pray for all who are suffering because of recent flooding in our Diocese and in other parts of our country. Give them strength when they're weak, reason for hope in times of despair and the grace to know you are with them.

Bless the work of emergency and aid workers and keep them safe as they risk their lives for others. Bless too the work of local government and our nation's leaders. Grant them wisdom in their decision-making, and special concern for the poor and vulnerable.

Fill our hearts with compassion for those who are in great need. Open our hearts to see them as brothers and sisters and make us generous in our response.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen



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Class Mass

Attending Mass is important for supporting the RE program in classrooms.
We invite and encourage you to attend these Masses where possible.

Week 5	Wednesday 1st March Sunday 5th March	Kawakawa, Koromiko, Puriri School Mass
Week 6	Wednesday 8th March	Karaka / Rimu
Week 7	Wednesday 15th March	Totara / Kauri
Week 8	Wednesday 22nd March	Pohutukawa / Kowhai
Week 9	Wednesday 29th March	Horoeka / Nikau
Week 10	HOLY WEEK Wednesday 5th April	Karaka / Rimu

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